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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed Japanese document, together with an English-language abstract, is enclosed.

Japan 2003-523183 is discussed at page 5 of the specification.

U.S. Patent No. 6,500,620 is believed to be in the same patent family as Japan 2003-523183.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the issuance of

a first Office Action on the merits. Therefore, no fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(2) is

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Applicant requests that the above information be considered by the

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